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"GEORGI DIMITROV" DAM CONSTRUCTION CONTINUES; LARGE AREA TO BE IRRIGATED

The construction of the "Georgi Dimitrov" Dam began in 1947 under the direction of Engr Koycho Kodzheykov. Five hundred workers were working at the dam in 1947; in 1948, 3,000 members of the Dimitrov Union of People's Youth p tched camp there and began working on the canals.

A concrete factory near the dam wall has a capacity of 400 cubic meters of concrete per 24 hours.

Because the "Georgi Dimitrov" Dam on the Tundzha River will not be able to take care of all the water of the river, another dam will be built on the Gyurlya River. The lake of both dams will hold 150 million cubic meters of water. The dams will be connected by means of tunnels and will exploit the river water simultaneously.

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At present, the Tundzha River runs along a new river bed dug on its left bank. A power station is being built in the old river bed.

Workers at the dam are on two shifts.

According to the project for the complete irrigation of the Kazanluk Plain, powerful pumps will nump the water from the lake to the surrounding fields, and the new dam near Kalofer in the "Panitsi" locality will irrigate all the fields east of Strazha.

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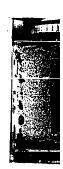
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The canal network will be expanded in 1953 toward the east and will almost reach Nikolaevo and Dolno Panicherevo. The Main Northern Canal will collect all the waters in this region from the Stara Planina. A dam will be constructed on the Mnglizh River, and its lake will hold 23 million cubic meters of water. This water will flow over a 200-meter waterfall to a power station. A dam and power station will be built also on the Vetren River, and a small dam will be built on the Kara dere (Cherna) River. Two artificial rivers will originate from the Stara Zagora Fower Station; one will flow in a southwesterly direction near Bogomilovo, Khristyanovo, Kaloyanovets, and Arnautito, and the other will flow in an easterly directions near Stara Zagora, Zora, Kalitinovo, and Dulboki. From these rivers, canals will be dug which will form a circle with an area of 450,000 decares. The following villages will border on this circle: Lovets, Sredets, Opan, Pustren, Svoboden, Trunkovo, Grudevo, Gorno Botevo, Floska Mogila, and kilometers of main canals and 3,000 kilometers of secondary canals during 1953.



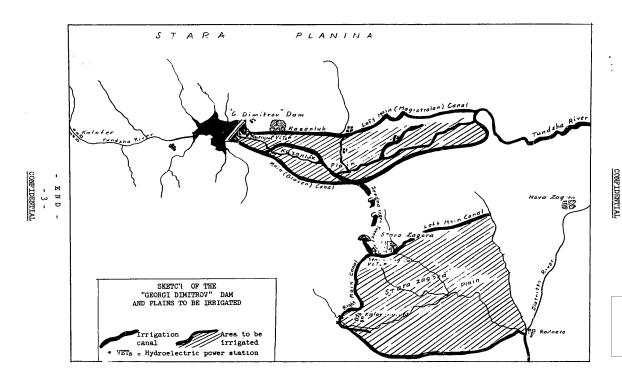
A sketch of the "Georgi Dimitrov" Dam and the areas which are scheduled to be irrigated follows.

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